

10 DIRAMS Version 5 Global Changes

10.1 Introduction to Global Changes

DIRAMS Version 6 includes many changes made to the previous AMS (Metrics) Version 4.1. Most of the changes were unique to a specific function. Other changes were more global; that is, they affected multiple functions. Mentioned briefly in function-specific chapters (e.g., Estimating System and Program Integration), these global functions are detailed in this chapter.

10.2 Global Changes

The changes described in Sections 10.2.1 through 10.2.7 affected multiple Metrics functions. The changes are summarized in Table 10-1, which contains the following information:

- A list of the global changes
- A brief summary of each change
- The section number in this chapter that explains each change
- The functions incorporating each change in DIRAMS Version 5

Table 10-1 Description of DIRAMS Version 5 Global Changes, References and Functions Affected

Global Change	Description	Section	Functions Affected
Team Code Field/Functionality Change	Adds capability of entering any Team Code	10.2.1	Early CAS, Earned Value Management Systems, Estimating System, Packaging, Postcard Trailers, Program Integration, ROI International, ROI Metric
Save As Functionality	Allows for multiple inserts based on an existing record	10.2.2	Overhead Negotiations, Program Integration
Search 250 Functionality	If more than 250 records are found matching search criteria, allows for the display of the first 250 with an explanatory message for the user	10.2.3	Early CAS, FPRA/FPRR, Overhead Negotiations, Pricing and Negotiation, Program Integration Admin., Specialized Safety-all Risk functions, Specialized Safety Mishaps, CAGE Information Admin., Contract Information Admin., ROI International, ROI Metric
Non-DoD Contract Acceptance	Allows for the entry of invalid or "dummy" contract numbers, as well as associated CAGE Codes	10.2.4	Earned Value Management Systems, Specialized Safety-all functions
Standard Address Block Addition	Allows for the entry of Domestic or International addresses	10.2.5	FPRA/FPRR, Packaging, Program Integration
Standard Date Format	Accepts dates in the following formats: MMDDYY, MM/DD/YY and DD-MON-YYYY	10.2.7	All DIRAMS Version 5 date fields unless otherwise stated
CAGE/CAO Combination Selection	Allows you to select which CAGE/CAO combination to use for the current record	10.2.8	Estimating System, FPRA/FPRR, Laboratory Testing, PBAM Flight Operations, Overhead Negotiations, PreAward Survey – Formal and Informal

10.2.1 Modified Team Code Functionality

DIRAMS Version 5 allows the system to automatically populate the Team Code box with the Team Code associated with the Username you entered on the Logon screen. You can then do one of the following:

- Accept your automatically-populated **Team Code** and continue entering other information
- Delete your automatically-populated **Team Code** and continue entering other information
- Change your automatically populated **Team Code** and enter another **Team Code**

To change the displayed **Team Code**:

1. Delete the existing **Team Code**.
2. Enter a new **Team Code** (2-5 alphanumeric characters).
3. Press **Tab** or **Enter**. The system checks to see if the value you entered is an existing (valid) **Team Code**.

If the value you enter is valid, the cursor moves to the next field. If it is not valid, a pop-up window (Figure 10-1) appears asking if you want to use the invalid **Team Code**.

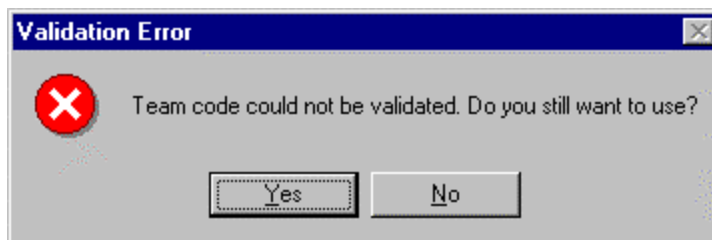


Figure 10-1 Invalid Team Code Pop-Up Window

4. Click **Yes** to accept the invalid **Team Code**. The cursor moves to the next field.

or

Click **No** if you do not want to accept the invalid **Team Code**. The system repopulates the **Team Code** box with your **Team Code** and moves the cursor to the next field.

10.2.2 Standard Save As Functionality

In some cases functionality was added (DIRAMS Version 5) to allow you to modify an existing record, then save it as a new record. To use this "Save As" functionality:



1. Display an existing record (or save the current record), then click the **Insert** icon or select **File: New** from the menu bar. A pop-up window (Figure 10-2) appears.

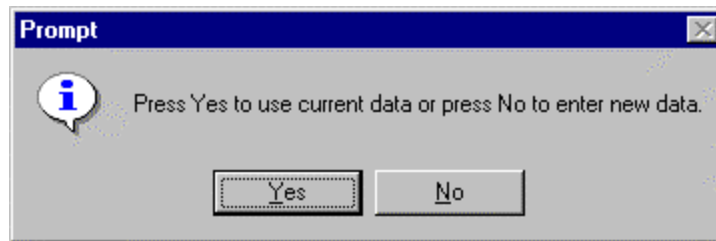


Figure 10-2 Save as Prompt

2. Indicate by clicking **Yes** or **No** whether you want to modify the information in the current record or if you want to enter a new record from a "blank" screen. The system prepares the screen accordingly.

Note: The purpose of this feature is to save your work by allowing you to reuse some of the data from an existing record. If you are using the Save As feature to "replace" an existing record, be sure to delete the record you want to "replace."

10.2.3 Expanded Search Capability

Sometimes when you enter search criteria on a search screen, many records may be found that match the criteria you entered. If fewer than 250 records are found, the system displays them all in the search results box and you can select the one you want to display.

Due to a software limitation, only 250 records can be displayed in the search results box. Therefore, if more than 250 records are found, a pop-up message (Figure 10-3) now appears informing you that only the first 250 records matching your search criteria are being displayed.



Figure 10-3 More Than 250 Records Found Pop-Up Message

Click **OK** to close the message box. You can select your record if you see it listed among the first 250 records, or you can search again using more restrictive search criteria.

10.2.4 Non-DoD Contract Acceptance

Some of the contracts you work with may not have valid DoD Contract Numbers. Functionality new to DIRAMS Version 5 allows you to enter such invalid (non-DoD) Contract Numbers for local use. If a function has been modified to allow this functionality, you can enter a non-DoD Contract Number as follows:

1. Enter a **Contract Number** in the **Contract Number** box.
2. Press **Tab** or **Enter**. The system checks to see if the number you entered exists (i.e., is valid). If it is not valid, a pop-up window (Figure 10-4) appears informing you that the Contract Number you entered could not be found.

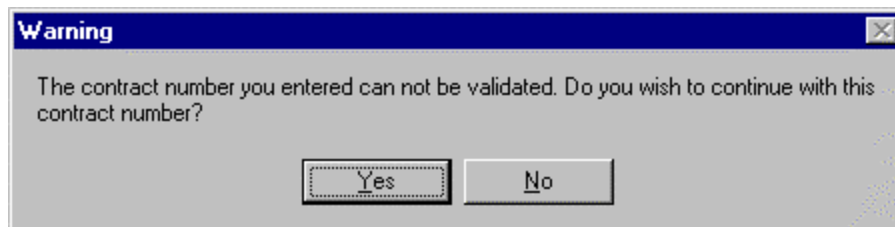


Figure 10-4 Invalid Contract Number Pop-Up Window

3. Click **No** if you do not want to use the invalid **Contract Number**. The pop-up window closes and the cursor remains in the Contract Number box.

or

Click **Yes** if you want to use the invalid **Contract Number**. See Section 10.2.4.1.

10.2.4.1 Invalid (Non-DoD) Contract Number

If you enter an invalid (non-DoD) **Contract Number** and click **Yes** on the Invalid Contract Number pop-up window (Figure 10-4), the Non-DoD Contract Information input screen (Figure 10-5) appears.

A dialog box titled "NoN-DoD Contract Information For Official Use Only". It has a yellow background. There are three input fields: "Contract Number:" with the value "DKVLDICODKEIQ", "CAGE Code:", and "Sub CAGE Code:". At the bottom, there are two buttons: "OK" and "CLOSE".

Figure 10-5 Non-DoD Contract Information Input Screen

Use this screen to enter your invalid (non-DoD) **Contract Number** into the DIRAMS database as follows:

1. Enter the prime **CAGE Code** (5 alphanumeric characters) you want to associate with the **Contract Number**. This is a required field.
2. Press **Tab** or **Enter**. The system checks to see if the **CAGE Code** you entered exists (i.e., is valid). If it is valid, the cursor moves to the **Sub CAGE Code** field and you can go to Step #4. If it is not valid, a pop-up window (Figure 10-6) appears informing you that the code you entered could not be found and you can go on to Step #3.

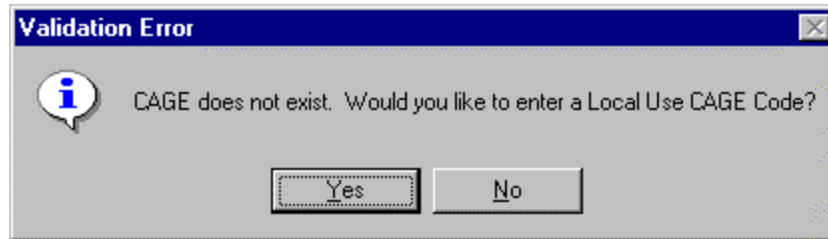


Figure 10-6 Invalid CAGE Code Pop-Up Window

3. Click **No** if you do not want to use the invalid **CAGE Code**. The cursor remains in the prime **CAGE Code** box. Go back to Step #1.
or
Click **Yes** if you want to use the invalid **CAGE Code**. See Section 10.2.4.2.
4. Enter the **Sub CAGE Code** (5 alphanumeric characters) you want to be associated with the **Contract Number**.
5. Press **Tab** or **Enter**. The system checks to see if the **Sub CAGE Code** you entered exists (i.e., is valid). If it is not valid, a pop-up window (Figure 10-6) appears informing you that the code you entered could not be found.
6. Click **No** if you do not want to use the invalid **Sub CAGE Code**. The message box closes and the cursor remains in the **Sub CAGE Code** box. Since Sub Cage Code is an optional field, you can leave it blank or go back to Step #4.
or
Click **Yes** if you want to use the invalid CAGE Code. See Section 10.2.4.2.
7. Click **OK** to save your Non-DoD Contract information.
or
Click **Cancel** to close the window without saving.

10.2.4.2 Invalid CAGE Code

If you enter an invalid CAGE Code on the Contract Number input screen (Figure 10-5) and click **Yes** on the Invalid CAGE Code pop-up window (Figure 10-6), the Invalid CAGE Code input screen (Figure 10-7) appears.

The figure shows a yellow dialog box titled "Insert CAGE Code Information For Official Use Only". It has a close button in the top right corner. The dialog contains the following fields:

- CAGE Code: A text box containing "TREEW".
- CAGE Name: A long text box.
- Address 1: A long text box.
- Address 2: A long text box.
- City: A text box.
- Country: A dropdown menu.
- State: A dropdown menu.
- ZIP: A text box.

At the bottom of the dialog are two buttons: "OK" and "CLOSE".

Figure 10-7 CAGE Code Input Screen

Use this screen to enter your invalid **CAGE Code** into the DIRAMS database for local use as follows:

1. Enter the **CAGE Name** (up to 30 alphanumeric characters) that is associated with the local use **CAGE Code**. This is a required data field.
2. Enter the address information **as explained in section 10.2.5**.
3. Click **OK** to save the information.

or

Click **Cancel** if you want to discontinue this action without saving.

10.2.5 Standard Address Block

The DIRAMS Version 5 standard address block (Figure 10-8) allows for the entry of both Domestic (United States) and International (other than the United States) addresses. **Instructions for entering information in the data boxes are provided in Sections 10.2.6.1 through 10.2.6.6.**

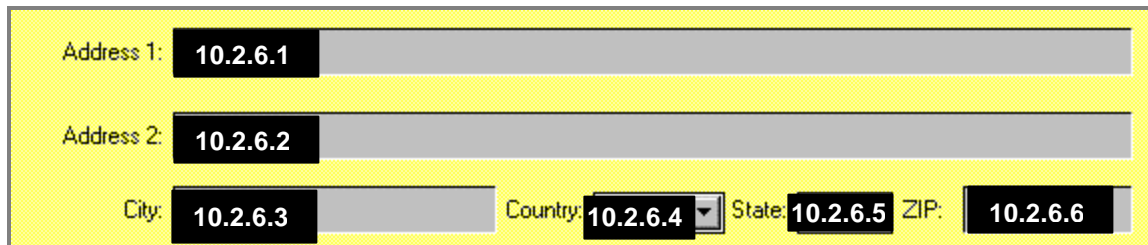


Figure 10-8 Address Block

10.2.6 Standard Address Block Fields

The DIRAMS Version 5 standard address block allows for both Domestic and International addresses. Some of the address block's functionality depends on the country of the address being entered.

10.2.6.1 Address 1

Enter the first line of the address (up to 30 alpha characters) that is associated with the "dummy" CAGE Code. This is a required field.

10.2.6.2 Address 2

Enter the second line of the address (up to 30 alpha characters) that is associated with the "dummy" CAGE Code.

10.2.6.3 City

Enter name of the city (up to 20 alphanumeric characters) that is associated with the "dummy" CAGE Code. This is a required field.

10.2.6.4 Country

Select (click or highlight) the two-character abbreviation for the country that is associated with the "dummy" CAGE Code. This is a required field.

Note: The countries are listed in descending (reverse alphabetic) order.

10.2.6.5 State (Prov)

Select (click or highlight) the two-character abbreviation for the state or province that is associated with the "dummy" CAGE Code. If the Country (10.2.6.4) is "CA" for Canada, this field is labeled **Prov** for Province; otherwise, it is labeled **State**. This is a required field only if the Country is US (**State**) or CA (**Prov**).

10.2.6.6 Zip

Enter the ZIP Code (up to 20 alphanumeric characters) that is associated with the "dummy" CAGE Code. This is a required field only if the Country (10.2.6.4) is US or CA.

10.2.7 Modified Date Format

All date fields (unless otherwise noted) in functions that were affected by DIRAMS Version 5 changes were modified to accept three date formats. As a result, you can enter dates in any of the following formats:

- MMDDYY
- MM/DD/YY
- DD-MON-YYYY

10.2.8 CAO – CAGE Selection Window

Because the same **CAGE Code** may be associated with more than one **CAO**, this CAGE/CAO Selection Window (Figure 10-9) allows you to select which **CAGE/CAO** combination you want to use for the current record.

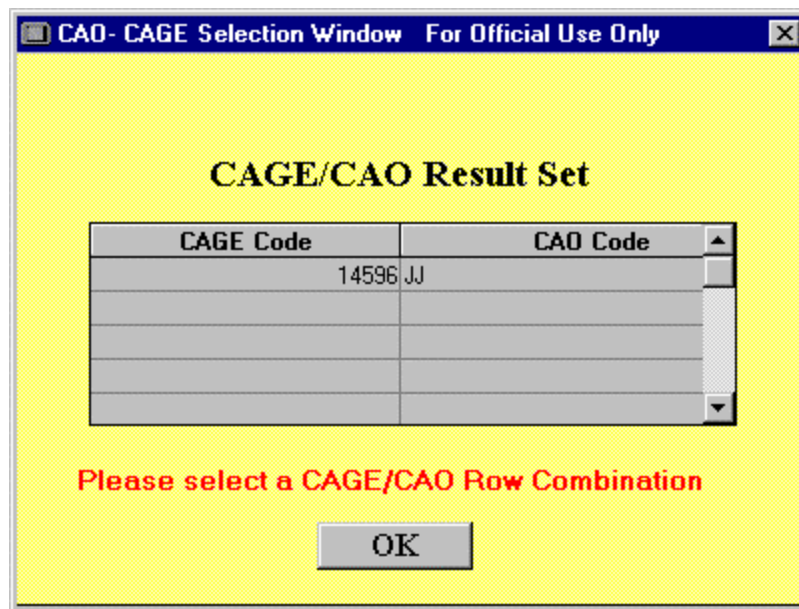


Figure 10-9 CAO - CAGE Selection Window

To select the **CAGE/CAO** combination to use, click on it, then click **OK**. The pop-up window closes and you can continue entering your information.